

## EXHIBIT I

1                   IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
2                   FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA  
3                   CHARLESTON DIVISION  
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6                   IN RE:    ETHICON, INC.  
                  PELVIC REPAIR SYSTEM,  
                  PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION                   MDL NO. 2327  
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8                   THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO ALL CASES

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13                  VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF  
                  CHARLOTTE OWENS, M.D.

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1           A       So at that time, the medical director was  
2       responsible for contributing to the development of the  
3       devices that we were going to bring to market.

4           Q       In what way?

5           A       Providing either direct or indirect medical  
6       support. What I mean is either giving information back  
7       based on our own background experience or after working  
8       with consultants and key opinion leaders, who may be  
9       experts in the field. We would also review product  
10      complaints.

11                   We would also work with the sales and  
12      marketing team to develop information that would  
13      educate them on the product and the use of the product.  
14      We would contribute to the development of what we used  
15      to call IFUs, instructions for use, patient brochures,  
16      kind of like the in-house medical person to help with  
17      issues that required an MD's attention.

18          Q       So you had to be copied on a lot of emails.  
19      You were covering a lot of different facets within the  
20      organization.

21          A       From time to time. You know, sometimes they  
22      would have a discussion prior to bringing you in,  
23      depending on what the situation was.

24          Q       Look, I've seen your travel schedule. Your

1 contribute, but again, I don't want to give the  
2 impression that all of this was on one person.

3 Q No, but you were asked to contribute?

4 A Correct.

5 Q Okay. So that would be professional -- when  
6 you say "education," that's what you mean, professional  
7 education?

8 A But also to the sales force and, you know,  
9 others within the company.

10 Q So you helped with marketing?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Okay. IFU product development is what I  
13 wrote down. Is that --

14 A Yes.

15 Q And marketing, which is the -- providing the  
16 education to the sales force?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Anything else, or is that the big categories?

19 A I think those are the big categories.

20 Q All right. So you also provided information  
21 to the regulatory agencies or to the -- well, to the  
22 regulatory agencies for new products that you were  
23 bringing to the market, correct?

24 A Yes.

1 using the hammock style, and half are performing it in  
2 the U-style, the obturator style. Do you follow me?

3 A I don't recall that at all.

4 Q All right. That's just awful, awful. I'll  
5 get back to the training question.

6 A Okay.

7 Q Now, did you validate -- did you participate  
8 in validating -- participating in validation studies  
9 for the IFU?

10 MR. BROWN: Objection.

11 Q (By Mr. Keith) In regards to the TVT-Secur?

12 A So for the IFU, the -- you know, the  
13 instructions for use were based on a lot of different  
14 things, not just a study, but pretty much the design of  
15 the product, key ways to use the device that would  
16 enable the practitioner to place it as it was, you  
17 know, intended to. So that may or may not be  
18 associated with a validation study.

19 Q All right. So here's my understanding, you  
20 have an IFU --

21 A Yes.

22 Q -- okay? Did you participate in drafting  
23 IFUs while at Gynecare?

24 A Yes.

1 Q What products?

2 A I remember Prolift. I do not believe I was a  
3 part of the TVT-Secur, nor the TVT Obturator.

4 Q All right. So we have a draft of an IFU,  
5 Gynecare has come up with this, and then my  
6 understanding is we've got to validate this IFU, this  
7 instruction for use, and that's what that stands for,  
8 that the doctors can actually read that and then  
9 complete the procedure based upon the reading of the  
10 IFU. Do I understand that correctly?

11 A You do.

12 Q Okay. And the validation study, that's what  
13 that's for?

14 A Correct.

15 Q Okay. All right. So your memory is you  
16 don't believe you did any of that in regards the  
17 TVT-Secur?

18 A Or the TVT Obturator.

19 Q Okay. The only one that you may have  
20 developed protocol for was the Prolift?

21 A Correct.

22 Q Okay. What about clinical expert reports,  
23 did you -- was that part of your responsibility?

24 A Yes.

1 requirement around the world for you to submit your  
2 protocols to institutional review boards or ethics  
3 committees, whose primary focus is on the safety of the  
4 patient.

5 Q Was ethics something important to you?

6 A Absolutely.

7 Q Okay. Was it important to you during your  
8 time at Gynecare?

9 A Absolutely.

10 Q Still important to you?

11 A Absolutely.

12 Q Okay. Was safety your first responsibility  
13 as the medical affairs director?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Okay. Did you -- as medical affairs  
16 director, was your first priority to ensure the safety  
17 of the patient and protect the patient?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Okay. Now, you also, as part of your  
20 responsibilities, if I understand correctly -- you  
21 called it something else. I call it defense of device.  
22 I can't remember what you called it, review product  
23 complaints. Part of your responsibility was to defend  
24 the devices or complaints against the device that were

1 lodged by patients or doctors, correct?

2 MR. BROWN: Objection.

3 THE WITNESS: I'm not sure I like the  
4 term "defend."

5 MR. KEITH: I didn't figure you would,  
6 but I -- but it is what it is. But you were  
7 responsible --

8 THE WITNESS: For reviewing --

9 MR. KEITH: -- for responding to  
10 accusations against the company that were  
11 lodged by either patients or their doctors?

12 MR. BROWN: Objection.

13 THE WITNESS: My -- I wouldn't even say  
14 people accused or made accusations. What  
15 would happen is we might hear of an -- of an  
16 adverse event, we might be informed in  
17 writing of an adverse event, we may see in  
18 literature that there were adverse events,  
19 and then we would evaluate whether or not  
20 they were attributable to the device or some  
21 other factor.

22 Q (By Mr. Keith) Dr. Owens, to be fair to  
23 me --

24 A Right.